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The House met at 10 a.m.

The Reverend Travis Barrick, Koinonia Christian Fellowship, El Cajon, CA, offered the following prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father, there are many in this room who pray for illumination, that they might answer the sacred trust bestowed upon them. May You grant them the mercy of Your wisdom.

Dear Lord, we pray for this wonderful class of pages on their last day here, who have so faithfully served in the Halls of a government that is by, of, and for the people.

Dear God, answer the weakness of our covenant with You, that we may make the whole Earth a little more like heaven in our day, and to protect it from the hell that would be brought upon us by the adversary.

Earnestly we pray, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DOGGETT] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DOGGETT led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, an-

nounced that the Senate had passed a bill and concurrent resolution of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1406. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Army to convey to the city of Eufaula, Oklahoma, a parcel of land located at the Eufaula Lake project, and for other purposes; and

S. Con. Res. 63. Concurrent resolution to express the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Agriculture should dispose of all remaining commodities in the disaster reserve maintained under the Agricultural Act of 1970 to relieve the distress of livestock producers whose ability to maintain livestock is adversely affected by disaster conditions existing in certain areas of the United States, such as prolonged drought or flooding, and for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain ten 1-minute on each side.

TRIBUTE TO THE GEORGIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

(Mr. BARR of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, the Georgia School for the Deaf in Cave Spring, GA, this year celebrates a 150-year heritage of service and education to deaf and hard-of-hearing children from all across Georgia. This exceptional school serves children aged 3 through 21, and strives to meet the needs of deaf students through an atmosphere that reflects their self-worth, their integrity, and their ability to communicate.

The teachers and staff at Georgia School for the Deaf are among the most dedicated and caring people you will find anywhere; in any community; in any State. You only have to talk with them for a minute to feel the love they have for these young people. We

must do everything we can to foster and preserve the environment they and their predecessors have built and nurtured at this fine facility in Cave Spring, GA.

It is an honor for me to represent this community, this school, and these people, in this Congress. I salute Georgia School for the Deaf on 150 years of service to our children, and wish them well in the coming years.

To 16-year-old Erickson Young, who daily focuses his attention on this assembly, my hope is that you will stand before this body someday, supported by a solid foundation of education and encouragement found at the Georgia School for the Deaf, in Cave Spring, GA.

CHINESE-AMERICAN RELATIONS

(Mr. TRAFICANT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, China arrested American businessman William Chen. Chinese spokesmen said, "We suspect this American of illegal imports and his actions were not honorable."

Honorable, Mr. Speaker? China steals American products, China violates every trade law we have. China illegally ships guns to this country for our streets and they talk about honor?

Beam me up, Mr. Speaker. Is it any wonder we have a \$40 billion trade deficit with China? What is our program? When it comes to trade, China puts Americans in jail and the White House rewards China with most-favored-nation trade status. If this is the way to run a country, someone tell me what the secret plan is.

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(Mr. BALLENGER asked and was given permission to address the House

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